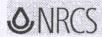


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June 16, 2005

Ms. Nora I. Kohlenberg South Dakota Department of Game, Fish and Parks 523 East Capitol Pierre, South Dakota 57501-3182

RE: Environmental Review - Whetstone Sportsman & Conservation Club Range, Grant County

Dear Ms. Kohlenberg,

We have reviewed the site for the above project.

The site does contain map units designated as prime farmland. We have completed Parts I through 5 of the enclosed AD-1006, Farmland Conversion Impact Rating form. Please finish completing Parts VI and VII of the form. If the TOTAL POINTS in Section VII are less than 160, then there is no significant impact to prime or important farmland in the county, and no alternatives need be considered.

Please return a copy of the completed form to this office.

Sincerely,

JEROME M. SCHAAR

State Soil Scientist

Enclosure

cc: Dale Johnson, DC, NRCS, Milbank FO





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FARMLAND CONVERSION IMPACT RATING

PART I (To be completed by Federal Agency)		Date Of Land Evaluation Request 5/16/05					
Name Of Project Whetstone Sportsman & Conservation Club Range		Federal Agency Involved US Fish and Wildlife Service					
Proposed Land Use Trap Range		County And State Grant County, South Dakota					
PART II (To be completed by NRCS)			Date Request Received By NRCS 5/20/2005				
Does the site contain prime, unique, statewide or local important farm! (If no, the FPPA does not apply —do not complete additional parts of			nd? Yes No Acres Irrigated Average Farm Size this form).				
Major Crop(s) CORN	CORN Acres: 262,845		Amount Of Farmland As Defined in FPPA Acres: 2LZ, 845, %60				
Name Of Land Evaluation System Used 5D Dept OF REVENUE			Date Land Evaluation Returned By NRCS		med By NRCS		
PART III (To be completed by Federal Agency)			Alternative Site Rating Site A Site B Site C Site D				
A. Total Acres To Be Converted Directly			6.0	Site B	Site C	Site D	
B. Total Acres To Be Converted Indirectly			10.0				
C. Total Acres In Site			6.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	
PART IV (To be completed by NRCS) Land Evaluation Information						10.0	
A. Total Acres Prime And Unique Farmland			-				
B. Total Acres Statewide And Local Important Farmland			6	-			
C. Percentage Of Farmland In County Or Local Govt. Unit To Be Converted			.0001				
D. Percentage Of Farmland In Govt. Jurisdiction With Same Or Higher Relative Value			40			-	
PART V (To be completed by NRCS) Land Evaluation Criterion Relative Value Of Farmland To Be Converted (Scale of 0 to 100 Points)			9 83	0	0	0	
PART VI (To be completed by Federal Agency) Site Assessment Criteria (These criteria are explained in 7 CFR 658.5(b)		Maximum Points					
Area In Nonurban Use		15	15				
Perimeter In Nonurban Use		10	10				
Percent Of Site Being Farmed		20	16				
4. Protection Provided By State And Local Government		20	0				
Distance From Urban Builtup Area		15	15				
Distance To Urban Support Services		15	10				
7. Size Of Present Farm Unit Compared To Average		10	0				
Creation Of Nonfarmable Farmland		10	0				
Availability Of Farm Support Services		5	5				
10. On-Farm Investments		20	1				
11. Effects Of Conversion On Farm Support Services		10	0				
12. Compatibility With Existing Agricultural Use		10	1				
TOTAL SITE ASSESSMENT POINTS		160	73	0	0	0	
PART VII (To be completed by Federal Agency)							
Relative Value Of Farmland (From Part V)		100	* 83	0	0	0	
Total Site Assessment (From Part VI above or a local site assessment)		160	73	0	0	0	
TOTAL POINTS (Total of above 2 lines)		260	1: 156	0	0	0	
Site Selected: A Da	te Of Selection 7/	5/05		The state of the s	Site Assessment Yes	Used? No 🗖	